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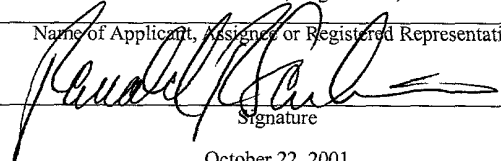
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Serial No. : 09/943,733
For : METHOD OF FORMING BARBS ON A SUTURE
AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING SAME
Filed : August 31, 2001
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RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application-

Filing Date Granted, mailed October 3, 2001, Applicants enclose the following:

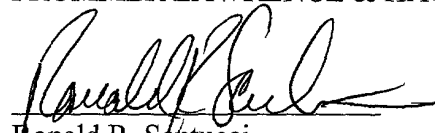
1. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;

2. A declaration executed by the inventors;
3. An assignment, with cover sheet, of this application;
4. Substitute drawing sheets (19) for Figures 1 through Figures 19;
5. An Information Disclosure Statement, including PTO Form 1449 and copies of the cited references;
6. A Change of Correspondence Address for this application. Applicants wish to note that the attorney docket number for this application has been changed to **930006-2001**; and
7. A check for \$105 which includes the \$65 surcharge for late filing of the Declaration (small entity) and the \$40 fee for the recordation of the assignment.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,
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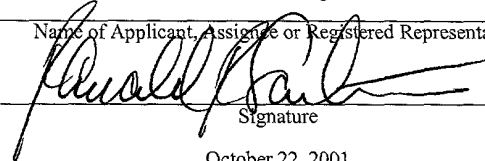


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TRANSMITTAL OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS

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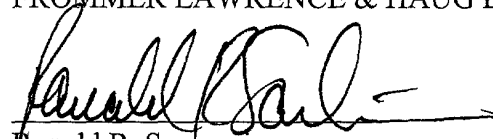
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application-Filing Date
Granted, mailed October 3, 2001, Applicants enclose substitute drawings sheets for Figures 1

through Figures 19 for the above referenced application. Nineteen (19) drawing sheets are enclosed.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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